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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)(1) FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

March 23, 2004

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Sir:

Applicant hereby Petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the office action dated December 23, 2003 in the above identified application for one month, from March 23, 2004 to April 23, 2004, and to accept a response to that office action as timely filed if received within the extension period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(1).

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, therefore the fee for the petition is \$55.00. A U.S. Postal Money Order in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

A small entity statement has already been filed in this application.

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I, Lucinda M. Kennedy, certify that the foregoing Petition for One-Month Extension of Time and Money Order in the amount of \$55.00 is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service by Express Mail (#ER 521294635 US) addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 23rd day of March, 2004.



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